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Examiner: Lee D. Wilson

Action: **ELECTION WITHOUT TRAVERSE**

Date: July 24, 2009

TO: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

An Election without Traverse was filed March 23, 2009 in response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2008 containing a restriction requirement pertaining to the above-identified patent application. This Election without Traverse is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated July 9, 2009. The Examiner has set a shortened statutory period for response to this action to expire one (1) month from the mailing date of the communication, making the present response due by August 9, 2009.

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